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## The music of the net

### Online love goes mainstream

by Janis Cain

We've all heard stories of romance blooming on the internet, but didn't we think of the players as socially challenged little nerds who don't bathe regularly? Not any more.

Lee "Sam" Fleming runs an appraisal business upstairs in the Sprouse Reitz building on Lighthouse Avenue in Pacific Grove. The 44-year-old mother of one grown son shares her New Monterey home with a roommate and her dog. She's an award-winning yacht racer at the Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club and belongs to a hiking group. Her circle of friends encompasses a wide array of men and women who, like Sam, are fun,



Sam Fleming and Bill Fleetwood casual, spontaneous, adventuresome, and social. They're connoisseurs of gourmet finger food and fine red wines.

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### PG Police warn parents, kids of risky sniffing

by Janis Cain

While alcohol continues to be the drug of choice among young adults, followed by marijuana in second place, PG Police Lieutenant Carl Miller say illegal use of toxic inhalants is on the rise.

Grocery stores are reporting whipping cream cans discarded in and around the stores, indicating people are inhaling the propellant, said Miller.

Also, a retailer at the American Tin Cannery was selling nitrous oxide cartridges until demand increased dramatically, with repeat customers appearing to be under the influence.

Deaths have been associated with the sniffing of air freshener, felt tip markers, adhesives, spray paint, lighter fluid, and typewriter correction fluid.

When inhaled, chemicals may bring on temporary feelings of euphoria and cause dizziness, hallucinations and disorientation. They also increase the heart's sensitivity to adrenalin at the same time adrenalin production is increased. The response is erratic heartbeats which can lead to cardiac arrest. The protective coating around the brain cells can also be damaged, and can cause permanent brain damage. Also, because many of the inhalants are corrosive, lungs are often damaged.

Parents are advised to discuss inhalants with children as early as in kindergarten and to watch for telltale signs of paints or spray cans, a chemical odor on the breath, a dazed appearance, or rashes or sores around the mouth or nose.



The Recreation Trail is one of many treasures provided by the Regional Park District.

### Hometown character defined by open space, park efforts

by Mary Dainton

The character of Pacific Grove is due in part to the efforts of the Monterey Peninsula Regional Park District, created in 1972 by local citizens to acquire and protect scenic park and recreational open spaces.

Since becoming the District Director for Pacific Grove, northern Pebble Beach and parts of New Monterey in 1994, I have noticed the unique role the District plays in maintaining the wonderful quality of life we all enjoy on the Peninsula.

Although the District's projects are

well known, there seems to be a lack of understanding by some on the role of the Parks District. Specifically, I would like to highlight four open space and recreational projects within the city of Pacific Grove that the District has participated in:

**LYNN "RIP" VAN WINKLE PARK**  
In 1978 the city approached the Parks District for funding assistance to purchase this 20-acre pine forest preserve school on Congress Avenue. As partners, the District and the City provided

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Pacific Grove, 1960. Note the passing train on the right. PHOTO BY ROBERT BLAISDELL

### Pacific Grove: The Way It Was

by Robert K. Blaisdell

**1952 — Monterey, California.** My father has just retired as the superintendent of state parks for the west coast. We were to move out of the state-owned Casa de Oro where we had lived since 1938. My folks bought a house at the corner of Grove and 20th in Pacific Grove for about \$5,000. Both streets were only one block long and were still unpaved. I remember the wonderful feeling of living on a dirt street in the heart of town.

The club house for the golf course was only two blocks away and stood where the senior center now stands. After school I would often walk past the small cottages and vacant lots. If I had the fifty cents greens fees I would play the full nine holes. If not, my friends and I would sneak on at two and play to eight. I'm sure the pro was aware of what we were

doing, but it was a simpler and kinder time.

Today, when I occasionally walk along these streets, now paved, I think about the lost trees and vacant lots sacrificed in the name of progress. I do not recall a paved street ever being *un-paved*, or a building torn down to create a vacant lot — or even a smaller building. Once these things are gone they are gone forever. The city of Pacific Grove has done a better job than most communities to preserve the quality of small town life that we all enjoy here. We must always strive to hang on to those intangible things that make the "last home town" what it was and is.

(Robert Blaisdell is a filmmaker best known for his nostalgic film-turned-video "Big Sur: The Way it Was," available for both purchase and rental.)

### Ellen Coile calls Grove tree law 'utterly bizarre'

by Neill Gardner

At its June 19 session, Pacific Grove City Council spent more time stewing over a tree on Edwin Colt's Shell Avenue property than it did on the town's \$14.4 million budget.

Ellen Coile, an Egan Avenue resident who has had her own tree problems with City Hall, called the tree law "utterly bizarre." She said the ordinance needs to be rewritten.

City Forester Frank Ono's report said the tree was not uprooting, has had limb failure, may have suffered limb loss because of wind, has some problems but is overcoming them and does have some cubic rot "but most trees have decay to some extent."

In a letter to Council, Colt, who is 90, said the city on April 15 denied his request to remove the tree and told him the tree needed trimming. He said he had paid Bindel Brothers \$1090 a year earlier to trim the tree.

Colt's problems started in December of 1995 when a heavy limb fell on his home during a windstorm. He said the city forester told him he could have two limbs removed. When Colt said he wanted the whole tree out, the forester told him he'd have to file an appeal.

In March, Bindel Tree Service examined the tree. Colt said and said it was. Bindel offered to remove the tree for \$1790 after Colt got the necessary permit. **Continued on page 2**

### Going fishing, but not for long

by Neill Gardner

Jay Cobb, who is retiring from the position of superintendent of the Pacific Grove Unified School District for a second time, will keep his hand in as far as education hereabouts is concerned. He and his wife Anne will continue to operate Cobb Educational Services, consultants to school districts, community colleges and county offices of education.

An Idaho native who rode his horse to a one-room school, Cobb is an advocate of community involvement in education. He recalls the days when parents exchanged information about their children and everyone took pride in student accomplishments.

"Molner School had five rows of seats," Cobb recalled. "There was one grade in each row. The school is still there, but the town is gone."

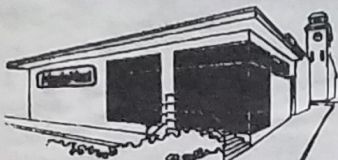
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# Park District defines Grove lifestyle

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\$100,000 each, while Pebble Beach Company donated the balance in land.

At present, the District is firmly committed to finding a way to preserve the adjacent forest open space in Pebble Beach that is now proposed for subdivision development.

**RECREATION TRAIL** In 1980 the District provided one million dollars for the purchase of 2.3 miles of Southern Pacific Railroad right-of-way from Lover's Point to the Aquarium. Now an integral portion of the Monterey Bay Coastal Trail, it is one of the most popular attractions on the peninsula. As a partner, the City developed this segment of the trail and maintains it.

**ELMARIE DYKE OPEN SPACE** In 1988 the City once again called upon the District for funding assistance. This time it was for protection of the vacant lot next to Chautauqua Hall. The District provided \$50,000 toward the purchase of what we know today as Elmarie Dyke Open Space. Recently, the District opposed plans to redesign this small park, and will continue to oppose any changes affecting its character and relationship to Chautauqua Hall.

**ROCKY SHORES** The City's Local Coastal Program has long envisioned an open and accessible coastline. As partners again, between 1992 and 1995, the District and City worked together with private landowners to acquire five vacant lots at Rocky Shores. The District's funding contribution totaled 1.25 million dollars.

These lots are now part of Asilomar State Beach, and have been restored and made accessible with boardwalks. It was most rewarding for me to be instrumental in the successful negotiations with the city and landowner for the purchase of lot 7, the last undeveloped lot.

**THE DISTRICT** has many open space projects in the greater peninsula. Over 7500 acres of open space has been protected. One of the most recent successes is the "coastal peace accord" negotiated and signed with Sand City. This agree-

ment has effectively allowed the protection of up to 80% of the coastal dunes and beach front within the city.

The District's seven year effort, often waged alone, gives us hope that open space values will continue to be part of our lives. To ensure that it is, the District will continue to champion the need for, and benefits of, open spaces in our communities.

**THE MUSEUM** I am very excited about a project that is in its early stages. We are preparing a 25 year anniversary exhibit for display at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History in 1998. This exhibit will highlight the public open space projects and acquisitions throughout the entire District.

In addition to acquiring and protecting open spaces, the District is involved in habitat restoration and environmental education activities. A support group, Friends of the Regional Park District, sponsors a quarterly newsletter of District activities and leads regular hikes on District park lands. If you would like to join the "Friends," or find out more about the District, Call our office at Garland

Ranch Regional Park in Carmel Valley at 659-4488.

Funding for these projects comes from a one-half percent allocation of the County property tax, which amounts to approximately \$1.1 million annually. For 23 years the District has operated under a balanced budget and has successfully matched nearly every local dollar with either a state or federal grant dollar.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS** meet on the first Monday of each month at various locations throughout the peninsula. These meetings are open to the public and anyone interested in attending is encouraged to do so. Meeting notices and agendas are posted in the Herald, while complete agenda packets are available at your public library. This information will soon be available on the internet.

## Jay Cobb retires

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least one school, save a lot of money and improve education in the process. Moving Middle School students over to the High School is one possibility, according to Cobb.

"Our High School was built to accommodate 1200 students. It has only 600," Cobb said.

Cobb is convinced that students of the future will receive a better education.

"Computer technology will allow individualized instruction. We will be able to schedule courses for each student as never before."

According to Cobb, county students expelled

from school next Fall will have an opportunity to attend classes at a special facility on Fort Ord. He foresees an education aimed at getting them started on career tracks.

Senior housing could easily be provided in properties not in use by the school district, Cobb said. He said the district looks favorably on proposals made by the city through its Senior Housing Committee. Adult education, he said, makes a good neighbor for senior housing.

Cobb would like to see state and federal money come directly to the school districts with no strings attached. He also thinks school district taxes should be subject to a simple majority vote, as opposed to the two-thirds now required.

Cobb's academic credentials are impressive: BA in Psychology from Humboldt State, teaching credential from UC Berkeley; National Science Foundation Scholar at University of Pittsburg and MA in Education from San Jose State University.

He is an advisor to CSU Monterey Bay, an adjunct professor at Santa Clara University Graduate School of Education and a member of a host of educational and service organizations including the Pacific Grove Rotary Club.

He and Anne plan to take their RV up to Idaho and Montana and do a lot of fishing. "We'll see more of Cheryl and Randy, too." Daughter Cheryl is in print and television advertising in San Francisco. Randy is a promotion director with KATV in Portland. Both attended Pacific Grove schools. The Cobbs have three grandchildren.

Cobb started our interview by recalling a cartoon printed in the Seventies in which he was shoving Jeanne Holmquist, whom he was replacing, off a bench. "In education you need to keep your sense of humor," he said.

## Openings on City commissions

The City of Pacific Grove has openings on both the Planning Commission and the Affordable Housing Committee.

The Planning Commission gives local resident the opportunity to make recommendations to the city council on land use, zoning, and building-related issues.

One Affordable Housing appointee should be knowledgeable about financing, development or construction, while the second opening will be given to someone representing lower income persons, the elderly, the disabled or minority groups.

Deadline for submitting applications (available at City Hall) is 4:45 pm on Monday, July 8. Call 648-3190 for questions on duties, responsibilities or meeting times.

## Tree law dominates meeting

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mit.

Following weeks of attempts to get a permit, Colt contacted Mayor Sandra Koffman, explained the matter and asked for help. Shortly thereafter, he received a letter saying the city was sending him an appeal information flier. He informed the city that he had filed an appeal on which no action had been taken three months earlier.

Councilman Bob Davis wondered why it had required so many months for Colt's appeals to be heard. City Manager Mike Huse said the public works department had staffing problems during the period in question.

Coile asked the Council to form a committee to rewrite the tree ordinance and to include a volunteer citizen. She said she found it bizarre that the city could tell a person what to do with a tree "on his own property."

When Davis suggested that an arborist be brought in to examine the tree, the mayor was concerned about setting a precedent. Davis voted "very reluctantly" to join the rest of Council in denying the appeal. Councilman Vern Yadon was not present.

In other action, Council:

+Adopted the preliminary budget, with addition of \$5000 for the Arts Commission.

+Honored Erma Dinkel, outgoing Chamber of Commerce president, with a plaque, a pin and a coffee cup.

+Heard a complaint from Bud Nunn about water and another from a New Monterey resident about the current Museum exhibit.

+Heard Pat Herrgott's request for information concerning Affordable Housing funds.

+Approved issuance of request for proposals for senior housing project.

+Modified town's massage parlor ordinance.

+Authorized a part-time housing rehabilitation inspector at \$20 per hour.

+Extended water-based subdivision moratorium.

+Added Section 15.16.060 to municipal code. Folks who want to put house numbers on curbs must ask permission of public works director, who must approve color, size and location of the numbers. Chapter 15.08 still requires that numbers shall be affixed to your house.

+Approved request from the Seaview Avenue mother of a three-year-old boy whose grandfather had given him two pygmy goats and two Bantam hens for his birthday, and who somewhere along the line was about to acquire a potbellied pig.

+Discussed use of Community Center to hold Council meetings.

+Discussed newsrack legislation.

+Approved Economic Revitalization Plan.





Left to Right, front row: Albert Brevard, Emmie Yant, Mary Joe Howe and Mary Ann Brevard; back row: Nancy Kay, Les Reed, Pat Aversano, Helen Reames, Rev. Dwight Edwards and Celeste Ventura.

## Antique show, sale

St. Mary's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, 12th & Central, Pacific Grove, will hold its 39th Annual Antiques Show and Sale on July 12, 13 and 14. Hours are 10 am to 5 pm on Friday and Saturday, and noon to 5 pm on Sunday. A donation of \$3.50 is good for all three days.

Approximately 300 men, women and children of the parish will be involved in presenting this annual fund raiser which helps to support the various St. Mary's ministries, including its vital Christian Social Concerns Committee. In a recent month, this committee helped 257 individuals and families by providing bags of food, bus fares, clothing, and other personal items.

Antique dealers from throughout the state will offer thousands of items, including jewelry, china, fine art, silver, toys, furniture, clothing and books.

An interesting highlight of this year's show will be a complimentary demonstration of St. Mary's new Schantz pipe organ by the parish's organist, Ms. Kitty DuVernois on July 13 at 3 pm.

Lunch will be served daily from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm (cost is \$5.50). A snack bar will be open for morning beverages and mid-afternoon sandwiches and desserts. A "corner cupboard" will offer home-baked pies, cakes, and cookies, as well as jams and jellies.

For additional information, call the St. Mary's office at 373-4441.

## McIntire will promote harmony between City Hall, business

Jerry McIntire, recently installed president of the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce, has a very simple agenda. He wants to continue the harmonious relationship established in recent years between the Chamber and the town's politicians.

If anyone can read between the lines, McIntire should be able to manage the job. A cryptographer during much of his 20-year Army career, he was able to decipher enemy codes on many occasions.

McIntire served with the Army Security Agency in Korea, Germany and at several Stateside posts before coming to Fort Ord for five years. He holds six Good Conduct Medals, Army Commendation with Oak Leaf cluster, two Army Achievement Awards and the Meritorious Service Medal.

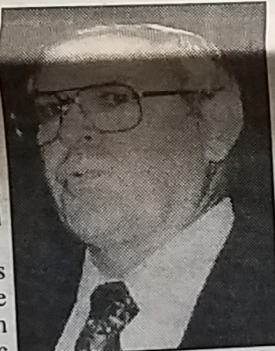
McIntire has been involved with the hospitality industry since moving to Pacific Grove in 1987, first with The Wilkie's Motel. He has managed Rosedale Inn near the entrance to Asilomar Conference Grounds for the past five years.

Active with youth programs, includ-

ing Cub Scouts, he was an adult leader with Boy Scouts, Little League coach and umpire, and in parent participation with Brownies and Girl Scouts.

McIntire has been an active participant on the Pacific Grove Hospitality Committee. A director of the Chamber of Commerce for five years, he has been involved with the Christmas Tree Lighting and Good Old Days programs.

He has been married to the former Helen Holland for 28 years. They have three children and five grandchildren. Well along the road to recovery from a recent triple bypass operation, McIntire said his primary objective as Chamber president will be to foster a positive climate for Pacific Grove businesses.



## Internet romance goes mainstream

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The most recent addition to the circle is a tall, attractive, athletic, bearded 61-year-old Southern Californian named Bill Fleetwood. Sam and Bill traded e-mail on the internet for a month or so and now they're talking love. Maybe marriage.

Sam is locking up her office and turning control of her sailboat over to others as she sails off into the sunset with Bill. They bought a big boat this week which they're naming the *Whirlwind* and away they go.

"Sam and Bill were meant to be," Taylor Lawson, PG Massage Therapist, observed this week. "Otherwise it wouldn't have been so easy."

"The speed of the relationship," observed another PG friend, Andrew Reiter, "could be compared to the speed of the modem."

Faster than a speeding bullet, more

powerful than a locomotive...

According to Bill, everything fell into place from the start. Sam had posted a notice in *Latitude 38* magazine, saying she needed coastal sailing experience and was hoping to crew on a vessel larger than her Shields. Her e-mail address was included. Bill responded.

"After about the third e-mail," Bill recalled, "she asked what kind of boat I had." Bill then confessed he didn't actually have a boat, not yet. But, having discovered Sam — with her enthusiasm and her sense of adventure — had become motivated to get back into cruising. Ideas on cruising quickly evolved to ideas on lifestyles, values, relationships. They e-mailed each other three or four times a day both before and after they met face to face. They've saved each word, maybe planning to write a book about their recent and upcoming adventures. As for the full-length feature film, they're thinking Sean Connery and Meryl Streep.

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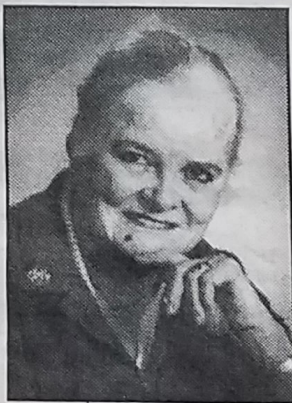
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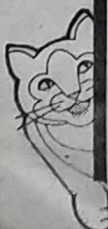
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# Meals on Wheels drivers save life of elderly client

by Janis Cain

Marion and Winona Bryson are two of more than 150 volunteer drivers for Meals on Wheels of the Monterey Peninsula. Recently they were credited with saving the life of a 75-year-old Pacific Grove woman on their route.

Not only were the Brysons alert to a possible medical emergency, they were also diligent in making sure the woman got the care she needed.

The Brysons had noticed their client's foot was excessively swollen and offered to take her to a doctor. When the client declined, the Brysons contacted Leslie Kern, driver coordinator at Meals on Wheels.

Kern not only called the client's doctor, but also her "emergency contact" who happened to be her landlady. The landlady took her to Community Hospital where an immediate surgery was performed. During that surgery, the woman was told another surgery would be done and, unfortunately, involved the amputation of her leg, above the knee.

"We were told she would have died without the immediate attention she got," Patricia Sandstrum, Development Director, Meals on Wheels, told the Beacon. Drivers routinely monitor their clients, she said, noting changes in their appetite, or sometimes arriving to find they have fallen.

"When a driver gets no answer at the door," Sandstrum said, "they go to the nearest phone to call the problem in to Meals on Wheels where someone then

makes phone calls until the situation is resolved. When all other efforts fail, the police are asked to make a safety check.

Because of this experience, Winona Bryson has taken a CPR course, saying she wants to be even better prepared to help her clients during an emergency.

"These are guardian angel volunteers," Sandstrum said. "We feel we have the cream of the crop here at Meals on Wheels."

Volunteers deliver 225 meals a day, five days a



Winona and Marion Bryson

## On the blotter

from the log at PGPD

**Alcohol** — PG Motel, two adults arrested for providing alcohol to five girls.

**Suspicious circumstances** — 400 block of Sinex, subject singing in the street after dark.

**Malicious mischief** — Moreland Ave., antenna broken off woman's vehicle while parked in the street.

**Assault** — 600 block of Sunset, victim was struck on the head with a bottle while using the pay phone at PG High School around 11 pm. Photo lineup revealed suspect, unable to locate.

**Fire** — 700 block of Sunset, 3 am fire in tree stump in front yard of residence. PG Fire Department contact and put out fire. Resident contacted.

**Hit & run** — 100 block of Patterson, suspect vehicle may have major front-end damage.

**Domestic disturbance** — 400 block of 10th street, officer counseled cohabitants who were having a dispute over unwanted conversation.

**Fight** — 1100 block of Funston, three girls, intoxicated, radio thrown through a window.

**DUI** — 11 block Ocean View Boulevard, subject observed crossing over center line around 1 am, fails field sobriety test.

**Fire** — 1400 block Ocean View Boulevard, transient started fire, which was getting out of control in area trees at old sewage plant.

**Smoking** — 100 block of Asilomar, marijuana pipe confiscated after report of subject smoking in the woods.

**Helmet violation** — 500 block of Lighthouse, skateboarder admonished.

**Feeding deer** — Tourist admonished for illegal feeding.

**Suspicious circumstances** — 8 Arkwright, several residents report hearing chirping noises.

**Hanging on** — 500 block of Forest, woman didn't want her ex-boyfriend hanging around. Subject left upon police request.

**Fight** — Asilomar Beach State Park, beer bottles used as weapons, several

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week and the center sends out another 120-150 per day to senior citizen centers. Sandstrum says the agency has an ongoing need for additional drivers and welcomes applications from potential volunteers. In addition to drivers, the center also welcomes volunteers to make sandwiches, pack meals, and help with office work.

In addition to the Meals on Wheels program, activities at the Senior Center include discussion groups, sewing and crafts, music, aerobics and martial arts.

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Tickets are available at Raven in the Grove, Bay Books, Cymbaline Records and Carmel Brewing Company. Proceeds benefit the station, a non-profit organization.



## Longtime newsie goes retail

by Janis Cain

After 15 years in the high-stress realm of TV news, 40-year-old Joan Williams is tending to her knitting, and teaching others. She's opened Monarch Knitting and Quilts at 529 Central, the first knitting store in Pacific Grove in some seven years.

The shop will feature knitting goods, and finished and custom quilts, as well as quilted decorator items. Also Williams is setting up a class schedule for beginners and those in need of refresher courses. She's also offering a class for kids under 12.

Asked about the business potential, Williams told the Beacon that good knitting shops tend to be destination locations; she will market to the entire peninsula. Williams' mom is a Minnesota institution in the business. "She's very prolific," says the new retailer, "supplying me with unique hand-quilted materials."



Joan Williams

Another new business associated with quilts, but focusing on fabrics and internationally acclaimed patterns, will open in August at Central and Grand.

Williams was most recently the acting news director with KSBW until two years ago when station ownership changed. She's remains associated with the industry; her husband is a long-time TV news director with KRON in the Bay Area.

Williams, with her white Siberian Husky "Cappy" nearby, is available in the shop every day except Tuesdays. Hours are 10-5:30 and Sundays, noon to 4.

## Community newsbriefs

**Compost happens.** The Monterey Regional Waste Management District is teaching people how to turn their yard trimmings and kitchen scraps into gardener's gold — Compost.

Tomorrow, June 29th at 10 am a free, one-hour workshop will be held at Seaside Library, 550 Harcourt Avenue, to teach people how compost happens, what materials they can compost, and how to build a compost pile. The demonstrations emphasize how easy it is to compost, how little time it takes, and how to recycle things we might otherwise throw away.

"We teach people that composting should take only 15 minutes a week, says Robin Salsburg, Recycling Coordinator and Compost Instructor. "We also stress how easy it is to compost. It's really like making a sandwich, the way you alternate layers of materials. And everyone can make a sandwich!"

Call 384-5313 for more information about the free workshops.

**Sanctuary census.** The Great American Fish Count will be underway July 1-14 in the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. Call 510-838-2544 to get in on the census, co-sponsored by the Marine Conservation Network, NOAA and the PADI Project Aware Foundation. Volunteer divers are trained in fish identification and counting and data logging methods before the fish population survey begins.

**Photographers.** The Monterey Peninsula Underwater Photographers will meet on Friday, July 5 and most every other first Friday, at the Aquarium Education Building 866 Cannery Row, from 6:30 to 9 pm. Call Judy Pollock at 649-5299.

**Editor's Note:** According to the Sanctuary newsletter, Ms. Katz counts fish, Ms. Pollock photographs them, and Ms. Roe has amassed a slide exhibit about both. The Sanctuary intern most destined for salary increases is Ms. Urner. We assume the editor of the Sanctuary newsletter works from home because she's Ms. Carless. Yes, the Beacon staff is easily amused.

**Charitable rewards.** Year-end donations from the Monterey Peninsula Thrift Shop totaled \$5,320. Proceeds from the shop at 585 Lighthouse Avenue in New Monterey, were derived from the sale of preowned clothing and are earmarked for local charities serving the Monterey Peninsula. Volunteers recently

held their June Installation Luncheon at Rancho Canada where they announced that new members are needed and should contact Lynn Palomino at 373-5901.

**Current events rapport.** People who enjoy discussing current events are invited to visit the Pacific Grove Discussion Group, meeting every Tuesday from noon to 2 pm at the Meals on Wheels Building, 700 Jewell Avenue, Pacific Grove.

**Women only.** Beginning July 1, "Wiser Women" will gather at the YWCA of the Monterey Peninsula on the first and third Monday of each month.

Designed for mature women, the group will use the new best selling book, Getting Over Getting Older, by Letty Cottin Pogrebin as a conversation piece.

Facilitator Carol Ludowise, M.A., says the group will offer a safe place to explore the issues that most concern mature women "in a nurturing, supportive environment to find the wisdom within." Call 649-0834 for info.

**Western barbecue Sunday.** Monterey Peninsula throws its annual BBQ and Western Roundup on Sunday, June 30, from 1 to 3 pm at the Y, 150 Mar Vista Drive (above AAA) Monterey.

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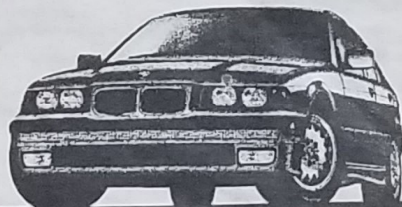
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## July 4th history, fun tracks statehood

The Monterey History and Art Association is both developing and participating in plans to feature Monterey as *the place to be* for the 1996 July 4th weekend. The festival weekend will kick off with a traditional 4th of July parade, family-style picnic and barbecue, and a spectacular fireworks display sponsored by the City of Monterey.

The Association's 49th Annual Adobe Tour will be on July 5th and 6th from 10 am to 5 pm. Two days of historical and cultural events are planned. The self-guided walking tour will feature over 25 historic adobes and gardens, both publicly and privately owned. Costumed guides will give detailed information about life in Monterey in 1846. Living history performances, traditional crafts and demonstrations, a book-signing, a Famous Chef's 1846 barbecue, and special exhibits and lectures will make for an educational, fun-filled experience.

### Family 4th in PG's Jewell Park

Pacific Grove City Hall has decreed an Independence Day celebration on Thursday, July 4th at Jewell Park, Central and Forest Avenues.

Musical entertainment, a barbecue, and games for the kids will surround the traditional honoring of American veterans of foreign wars and other military engagements. Catch the fun from 11 am until 2:30 pm and don't forget to bring \$5 for lunch.

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The weekend's festivities culminate with the traditional celebration on July 7, 1 pm at the Presidio of Monterey, and will feature Rear Admiral Marsha Evans, U.S.N., the Superintendent of the Naval Postgraduate School, reading the proclamation. The tall ship Californian and the USS Gary (FFG 51) will return on-shore cannon salutes.

The weekend passport is \$15; call 372-2608 for details.

#### Thoughts for the 4th

"Liberty is the one thing you cannot have unless you are willing to give it to others."

-William Allen White

#### Mixed media

The Monterey Peninsula Art Foundation is showing mixed media through this weekend at Galeria de la Paz, upstairs at 582 Lighthouse Avenue, Pacific Grove. Call 372-4544 for information.

#### Latin folk music

At the Pacific Grove Arts Center next Friday, July 5, the Los Angeles-based Latin-flavored contemporary folk group Word of Mouth returns at 8 pm for a semi-acoustic show. Sponsored by Portofino Presents, the intimate concert is part of a Northern California quartet tour featuring former members of Sabia, Libby Harding, Gary Johnson and Ericka Verba, with Rick Moors on bass. The PG Arts Center is at 568 Lighthouse Ave. Admission is \$10. Call 373-7379 for details.

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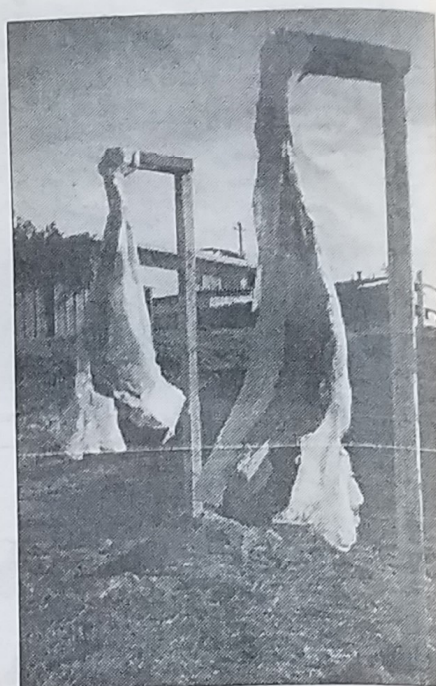
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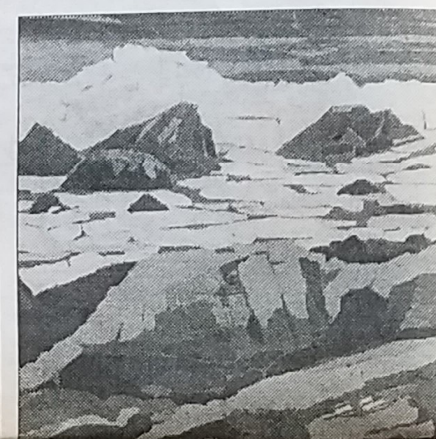
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Kathleen Crocetti, *Cocoons for World AIDS Day*, showing documentation and new work at Pacific Grove Art Center, June 28-Aug. 1.



On display at the Pacific Grove Art Center, John LaPierre's *Rocky Shore*, 24x48 collage.

#### Women artists

"Women With Attitude" is the title of a new venue showcasing emerging and under-recognized women artists on July 1, 6 pm at Nick's Place, 108 Franklin St., Monterey.

Presented by Raven in the Grove and Artisphere Entertainment, the evening is expected to include artists in any media (two or three-dimensional artworks). Bands, poets, dancers, "open mike" presentations and artists have been invited. Artists will be allowed to bring up to eight pieces to be offered for sale. Contact 649-6057 for more information.

#### Poetry reading tomorrow

*Poem Crazy* is a term that might describe the way the community responded to the first annual National Poetry Month in April. Bay Books' Visiting Poet Series enjoyed large audiences and talented community poets.

In response to the strong community interest in this literary tradition, Bay Books will continue to offer poetry readings and events. Tomorrow, June 29 at 1 pm, Bay Books will host a special poetry workshop at the Doubletree Hotel with Chico-based poet Susan Wooldridge, author of *Poemcrazy: Freeing Your Life with Words*.

#### California landscapes

The Artists Forum Gallery, 309 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove, is currently exhibiting a variety of work celebrating California's diversified landscape. Featured are contemporary visions in late 19th and early 20th century styles such as tonalism and impressionism. Artists Anita Benson, Jack Cassinotto, Nikki B. Davis, Peggy Olsen, Candace Gladstone-Campbell, William Rushton, Cheryl Trotter and others will exhibit through August.



# Jazz jam heritage returns to the Row

The nostalgia of Cannery Row's early jazz heritage comes alive this weekend for the first ever Cannery Row Jazz Jam on Friday, June 28 through Sunday, June 30.

A mix of jazz performances will be heard at three different locations: Steinbeck Plaza (Prescott and Cannery Row), The ClubHouse (638 Wave Street) and the Monterey Plaza Hotel (Drake and Cannery Row).

All the outdoor performances at Steinbeck Plaza are free to the public, including performances by Roger Eddy, Lauri Hofer, the Don Pendergrass Trio, Tom Politzer Quartet and Scott & Peggy Brown Swing Duo.

The complete weekend lineup:

## Friday, June 28

5-7:30 pm: classic jazz by the ClubHouse Trio with Special Guest Roger Eddy in the Steinbeck Plaza;

9 pm: Las Vegas-style swing jazz by "The Fabulous Bud E. Luv Show, at the Clubhouse (\$10);

## Saturday, June 29

Noon - 3 pm: jazz ensemble, The Cannery Row Cats, featuring Roger Eddy with vocal guest Ms. Lauri Hofer at the Steinbeck Plaza;

3-5 pm: classic jazz by Scott & Peggy Brown Swing Duo at the Steinbeck Plaza;

9 pm: Latin jazz by Native Vibe at The

ClubHouse (\$10);

## Sunday, June 30

Noon-3 pm: funky fusion-style jazz by the Tom Politzer Quartet at the Steinbeck Plaza;

3 pm: Concerts by the Bay presents Guitar, Saxs & More at the Monterey Plaza (\$30-\$35);

3-6 pm: funky fusion-style jazz by the Don Pendergrass Trio at Steinbeck Plaza;

6:30-Midnight: classic jazz by the ClubHouse Trio, plus special guest Roger Eddy (\$10).

Other music and entertainment venues on Cannery Row include Whitey's Place in the American Tin Cannery, The Fish Hopper Restaurant, Doc Rickett's Lab and Planet Gemini.

The Cannery Row Jazz Jam is being sponsored by the Cannery Row Marketing Council and KXDC Radio.

For information about the jazz performances at The ClubHouse, call 372-7200.

For more information about the Monterey Plaza Hotel's Concert by the Bay series, call 757-2977.



## Grand openings

Olivia Moti celebrated the ribbon-cutting of her new **Lasting Memories** shop at 566 Lighthouse last week.

Formerly well-known in The Barnyard, Carmel, Olivia specializes in designer table settings and specialty bridal gifts. She donates 20% of her sales to Special



Olympics.

Dea Moore, the new owner of PG's **Prim & Proper** women's clothing store is hoping to be open for business within the next several days.

Dea tells the Beacon she is sticking with the same labels Janis Russo carried. New to the store, will be Designer Originals acrylic sweaters, a popular line from her previous business, the Carmel Sweater Shop.

Also, says Dea, larger sizes will be added to the petite selections, and she's bringing in a good selection of moderately priced clothing, including basic cotton and wool sweaters.



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### 3 Anything & Everything

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### 4 Front Row Center

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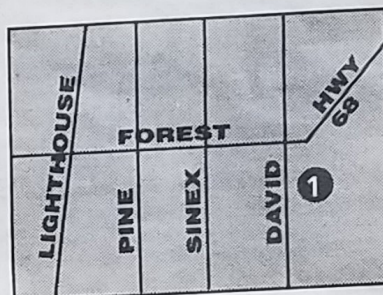
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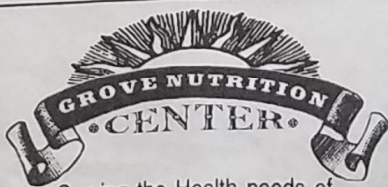
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**St. Angela's** Catholic Church, Lighthouse at 9th Street. Masses: Sat.-8am & 5:30 pm. Sun-8am, 10am, noon & 5:30pm. Confessions: Sat.-4pm to 5pm. Daily masses: 8am and 12:10pm. 655-4160

**Disciples of Christ** of Pacific Grove, (Christian Church), 442 Central. Adult Bible study 9:30 am. Worship Service (including Children's Sunday School) 11am. **Pastor Richard Niell Donovan.** 372-0363

**First Church of God** 1023 David Ave., Pacific Grove. Sunday school at 9:45 am. Worship at 11 am. Bible Study Wednesdays at 7 pm. Youth Nite Friday at 6:30 pm. **Pastor Tim Doramus.** 372-5005

**Believers Christian Center** 515 Junipero Ave., (at the Community Center) Pacific Grove. Sunday morning worship 10am. **Pastor Lenorse Williams.** 656-9446

**Shoreline Community Church** 615 Sunset Dr., (at the Pacific Grove High School) Pacific Grove. Sundays 8:30 & 10am. Casual, contemporary services. Uplifting music, down-to-earth Bible teaching. Childcare/Sunday School. 655-0100

## Kiwanis leader reflects multi-faceted talents

by Art Alexander

When Judy Bergfors joined the Pacific Grove Kiwanis Club in 1989, she immediately displayed leadership qualities, which are reflected in both her business and community service activities.



Judy Bergfors

She became a member of the Kiwanis Board of Directors in 1990 and served four years. She served as Chair of the "Young Children Priority One Committee," a Kiwanis major emphasis program, in 1992-93, and her outstanding work earned her the office of President in 1993-94. From there, she has moved up to Lieutenant Governor of the California, Nevada, Hawaii District of Kiwanis International.

Judy is the proprietor of Wardrobe Magic, a Monterey Peninsula sewing and design business, which she has owned and operated for 27 years. While running the business, she raised two children as a single parent, taught nursery school for two years, taught junior high for three years and owned and managed a deli — with 13 employees.

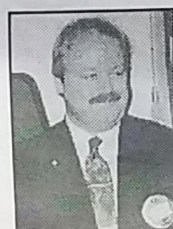
Judy published a book of verse and color nature photography in 1992. With her son, she recently formed a company

called "Digital Adventures," creating and publishing a series of travel guides on CD-ROMS. Now in production are two Wind Country Adventures, one on Napa Valley and the other on the Central Coast, including Monterey County.

Many people think of Kiwanis as a men's club, which it once was. As Judy demonstrates, women are not only

### New club members

Recently installed as new members of the Pacific Grove Kiwanis Club are clockwise from top, left, Rod Herndon, Kathy



Cadigan, Paul, Lukas, Victoria, Carns and Mike Niccum. Judy Bergfors, above, far left, past president of the PG Kiwanis Club, is currently a District Lieutenant Governor for the 16 Kiwanis Clubs in Santa Cruz, San Benito and Monterey Counties. Those clubs, as well as all Kiwanis Clubs in California, Nevada and Hawaii comprise the District.



Pacific Grove High School Principal Carl Black, left, receives a \$4,000 check from Pacific Grove Rotary President Tom McKinney for the school's computer center. This

## Hospital buys doctor clinics in Monterey

The two Doctors on Duty clinics in Monterey have been purchased by Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital in an effort to expand outpatient services. The sales transaction isn't expected to be finalized until October.

A total of nine of the network health care clinics were included in the package; the others are in Aptos, San Jose, Santa Cruz, Scott's Valley and Watsonville.

A total of about 300 employees, now belong to the network, founded by Dr. Robert Morris in Santa Cruz in 1982. Management of the clinics will be provided by Helian Health Group, now forming a partnership with the hospital.

members, they have assumed many of the leadership positions. Pacific Grove President Sherry Sands is an outstanding example, as is Bonnie Lewtschuk, who will be Lieutenant Governor in 1997-98.

Community service and Kiwanis is a high point in Judy's life. "If you have not tried a service club," she says, "you should. I can't think of anything more rewarding." Judy encourages anyone interested to call her at 625-2610.

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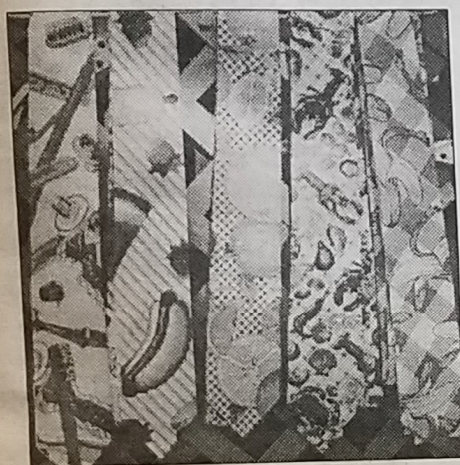
## Local artist peddle crafts at open-air farmers' market

by Leslie Lugibill

Two local Pacific Grove residents have found a place at the Old Monterey Market Place farmers' market to display their unique gifts.

Gratia Trout has been selling her hand-made gifts at the market for two and a half years under the name Dalmation Plantation. Dalmation Plantation was named after her family's three pet dalmation dogs. Each year, she sells a different dalmation ornament which is dated for that year. Displayed at her tables are toys such as hand-sewn Fiesta Fish and multi-colored stuffed bugs designed and patterned by Gratia and her husband Wayne.

One of her most unusual gifts are her



"Two-soup Ties."

"They are called Two-soup Ties because if you spill soup on the front, you can reverse the tie," explains Gratia Trout.

The five year old Monterey open-air market was not always as successful as it is now.

"I remember when I first started to come here two and a half years ago. There were many empty spots on the street," said Gratia Trout.

Now there is a waiting list for a spot

at the market. But it is not impossible to get a place as Nisel Mark found out five months ago when she started displaying her hand-sewn gifts at the market.

"Designer burp rags are my biggest seller," said Nisel Mark who runs Birds-n-Bees which specializes in hand-sewn



Gratia Trout

baby items.

The idea to sell her hand-crafted baby clothes came after the birth of her first child.

She started sewing for her own baby and soon began giving her hand-crafted baby clothes and accessories as gifts.

"I have full gift baskets for baby showers which include rattles, T-shirts, receiving blankets and flannel sleepers," said Nisel Mark when asked for gift suggestions.

For those who find the perfect fabric for their baby's room but do not have the patience or the talent to sew themselves, Nisel Mark will also take special orders for matching crib sets and curtains.

With the current trend towards using fresh ingredients instead of pre-packaged foods, more Americans are returning to the farmers' market. Locals in the area are no exception as evidenced by the



Nisel Mark

popularity of the Old Monterey Market Place.

On Tuesdays between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m., over 100 vendors line Alvarado Street to sell their goods. Traditionally the farmers' market has served as a gathering place for socializing as well as a place to purchase just-picked vegetables and fruits. With basket in hand, local market shoppers have their choice of raspberries, sugar snap peas, shiitake mushrooms, breads, coffees, cheeses, artichokes and many other common and some uncommon fare.

The growers, honey collectors, soup mix makers and pastry bakers are often on hand to give out samples and advice on the preparation and storage of their goods.

While bagging raspberries and olallieberries for her customers, Cindy Borba of Borba Farms, Watsonville, instructs market shoppers on the best way to store the berries.

"As soon as you get home, pour the raspberries out of the carton into a plastic container. Put a paper towel down first and do not wash the berries until you are going to eat them. This will keep them from breaking down."

Other vendors pass out printed material to customers showing growing seasons, giving storage tips and advice on preparation of the item. If it is not in print the vendors will often share, if asked, their favorite recipe.

Artists display many types of hand-crafted wares at the market. Everything from African art to jewelry made from vintage buttons can be found. Walking between the rows of vendors, not only will you see the serious produce shoppers buying their week's worth of fresh produce but also people socializing, sight-seeing and of course eating.

If the sight of fresh vegetables and fruits doesn't make you hungry, the smell of Thai rice, fresh grilled tortillas or barbecued ribs all being served by the vendors will.

The Old Monterey Market Place is not the only open-air market in town. There is a market at the Monterey Peninsula College parking lot on Thursdays from 2:30 to 6:00 p.m.

If the weather does not cooperate and you do not feel like venturing out of the house, you can always access an Internet Farmers' Market at <http://members.aol.com/marketfarm/farmers-market/index.html>. Here you can find specialty items such as olive oil, cheese-cake and organic grow-at-home sprouts which are all available for home delivery. Or if you are just looking for a good recipe, you may want to visit the Farm Kitchen. It also provides television listings for gardening and cooking shows.

Although the Internet Farmers' Market is interesting, it can not replace the sound of guitar music or the smell of fresh flowers that can be found at the local farmers' market.

## Corn Meal Muffins with Olallieberries

- 1 cup cornmeal
- 1 cup flour
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 24 olallieberries
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 1/4 cup melted butter
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Combine flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and cornmeal in one bowl. Beat eggs, add milk, melted butter and vanilla extract. Add egg mixture to the dry ingredients and stir until moist. Fill well-greased muffin cups half full of batter. Drop 2 olallieberries in the center of batter. Add more batter to fill cup 2/3 full. Bake in 425 degrees F for 15 to 20 minutes. Makes 12 muffins.

## What is an Olallieberry?

"Olallie" is the Pacific Northwest Native American name for berry. An olallieberry is a cross between a loganberry and a youngberry. Each one of these is also a hybrid.

A loganberry is a raspberry crossed with a blackberry and a youngberry is a blackberry crossed with a texas dewberry. Although this can be confusing the results are well worth the effort as olallieberries are generally much sweeter than their counterparts.

## Sailing teaches life skills to youngsters

by Claudia East

The Monterey Peninsula Yacht Club has its annual Summer Sailing Program in full swing, with several Pacific Grove and Monterey students at the helm.

This exceptional program invites young people from the ages of eight to 17, with only three simple requirements: a strong desire to learn to sail, be able to pass a swim test, and pay a moderate fee with application. You can watch these young sailors daily on the water in the yacht harbor and off Del Monte Beach from 10 am to 4 pm.

Among the PG students completing their program today are Greg Greenlee, Ryan Johannsen, Kate Wheeler, Lara Wheeler and Lauren Reppy.

Students from Monterey include Thomas Bowles, Joshua Duncan, Chris Wolman, Nathan Laughton, Kimberlee Uwate, Jill Falor, Michael Gasperson, Brad Johnson, Heather Lynch, Alex Nixon, Anna Reidel, Patrick Stafford, Adam Swartz, Alice Vogelmann and Matthew Woodruff.

It's not too late to apply for Session II, which runs July 1-12 for the Beginner/Intermediate 8-11 year old students. Call the MPYC and ask to speak to the Summer Sailing Directors, Don or Claudia East.

Separated into age and experience categories, smaller sailors have the opportunity to sail in Optimist sail boats, and to crew or double hand on Lasers and FJ's. All three are competition class boats. The Lasers are an Olympic class (watch the Summer Olympics!) and the FJ is a high school and collegiate competition sailboat.

Included in the lessons are valuable life skills such as how to take command, how

to be a good sport yet be competitive, and how to make decisions. Sailors learn to work cooperatively and with team spirit.

They students are also drilled on such things as safety procedures on capsizing, controlling the boat in gusty winds, making simple repairs on the water, assisting others, and a myriad of tactics. It is a wonderful sight to see these young sailors take off in the bay, sailing a boat under their command. This instills confidence in the young people that is earned by their own accomplishments.

## Women's Club vote

by Betty Van Meter

At a recent luncheon, the Carmel Women's Club elected the following officers to serve during the 1996-97 club year:

President, Jean Waner; Vice President, Program, Betty Neill; Vice President, Membership, Velma Gand; VP House, Fleece Dennis; VP Rentals, Leone Erickson; Recording Secretary, Irene Swanson; Corresponding Secretary, Jane McNulty; Treasurer, Jane Holmes; Parliamentarian, Peggy Diehl; Nominating Committee, Nancy Hoegstadt and Alice Harris.

Also serving on the board will be LaVerne Gabel and Bernice Imlay, Hospitality; Ginny Morrall, Ways and Means; Beverly Flippen, Decorations; Verna Test, Library; Mildred Ferguson, Newsletter; Carolyn Miles and Dorothy Yearning, Games; Betty Van Meter, Publicity; Fran Bly, Telephone; and Betty Dawson, Historian.

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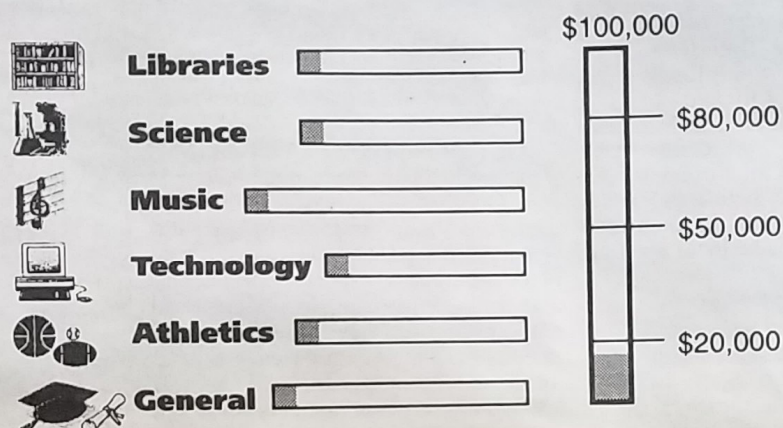


## YES That's what 64.2% of you said last November to the parcel tax measure for Pacific Grove Schools. It came so close to passing!

Since then supporters have sought a method to still benefit the schools.

## Public Response In Dollars for Education

If you voted YES, your voice can still be heard. Between now and November 5th, PG PRIDE is promoting voluntary "parcel tax" donations of \$35 to be used according to the donor's program category preference. Below are some suggested PG PRIDE budget categories that can be specified by donors



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ELLEEN "TOOTIE" DENAHY is the Monterey Bay Alumnae Panhellenic's Woman of the Year. Since moving to Pacific Grove from southern California at the time of their retirement in 1982, Tootie and husband Bob Denahy have been caring volunteers in the community. Tootie is active in the CHOMP Auxiliary and Delta Kappa Gamma, honorary for women in education, as well as her Alpha Xi Delta alumnae group. She has served on Pacific Grove's Election Board for 10 years.

### Birth center opens at Community Hospital

An open house for the new Family Birth Center at Community Hospital is set for tomorrow, June 29th from 10 am to 1 pm.

Located on the main floor of the hospital, the center is almost twice the size of the previous maternity departments. Patient rooms have been expanded so that women can labor, deliver, recover, and receive post partum care all in one spacious, home-like room.

The event is free. Call 625-4505 for more information.

## SuperKids fund gets grant; PG program still in limbo

Continuation of an award-winning program, proven to have a significant impact on at-risk children, remains in doubt for the 1996-97 school year.

The Family Resource Center's "SuperKids" program received a \$20,000 grant from the Barnet Segal Charitable Trust in support of the counseling sessions provided to kids in 15 Monterey County elementary schools, including Pacific Grove schools. The funds were earmarked for the current year, however, and will not make up the shortfall that will eliminate Pacific Grove schools next year.

Cindy Coates, M.A., of the Family Resource Center, says both PG PRIDE and the City of Pacific Grove are currently studying the possibility of scholarship money for children in need. Counselors in the school-based program work with children in grades K-6, meeting in small group sessions and with their individual parents.

Coates says SuperKids is often the last chance to reach this at-risk population before they move on to middle school. The ultimate result is a

lowered risk of gang involvement, teen pregnancy, substance abuse and teen suicide, and a greater ability to benefit from their educational experience.

Graduates of SuperKids programs exhibit dramatic improvement in grades, concentration, communication, self-control, project initiation, and the ability to complete tasks, says Coates.

Begun five years ago, the program has provided counseling to 2,100 children and 400 parents.

### Foundation names grant recipients

Robert Down Elementary School's Writing Lab was among the recipients of 24 grants from the Pebble Beach Company Foundation announced this month. A total of over \$40,000 was given to promote youth education activities on the Monterey Peninsula.

The Foundation also continued its sponsorship of the Sandy Shores Aviary Exhibit at the Monterey Bay Aquarium, fulfilling the third year of a five-year \$50,000 pledge.

Among additional recipients of grants were the Monterey Jazz Festival Honor Jazz Band, Monterey County Symphony, Monterey County Youth Arts Festival, Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art Museum on Wheels, Children's Experimental Theatre, Foundation for Monterey County Free Libraries, Maritime Museum of Monterey and the Monterey Bay Jaguar Track Club.

Also, the United Way of the Monterey Peninsula was presented a \$5,000 Foundation grant.

## Living Safely Keeping kids safe

Tips from the PG Police Dept.

Would your child know what to do if:

- He gets lost at a shopping mall?
- A nice, friendly stranger offers her a ride home after school?
- A baby-sitter wants to play a secret game that no one would know about?
- A friend dares him to hitchhike?

### Start with the basics

1. **Rehearse** with your child his/her full name, address and phone number, how to make an emergency phone call from home and from a public phone.
2. **Teach** your child to go to a store clerk or security guard if you become separated in a store. Tell the child never to go into the parking lot alone. Accompany your child to the restroom.
3. **Tell** your child never to accept gifts or rides from someone he/she does not know well. Adopt a family code word to be used if you have to ask a third party pick up your child. Make sure your child knows NEVER to hitchhike.
4. **Teach** your children that no one, not even someone they know, has the right to touch them in a way that makes them feel uncomfortable. Tell them they have the right to say "no" to an adult in this situation.
5. **Walk** the neighborhood with your child. Pick the safest route to school and friends' houses. Avoid alleys and wooded areas. Identify safe places to go in an emergency, like a neighbor's house or an open store.
6. **Encourage** children to walk and play with friends, not alone, and to stay in well-lighted open areas where others can see them. Teach children to walk confidently and not to loiter.
7. **Don't hang** a key around your child's neck. It's a telltale sign that you won't be home when they return from school. Put the key inside a pocket or sock.
8. **Encourage** your child to look out for other kids' safety and to stay away from strangers who hang around playgrounds, public restrooms and empty buildings.
9. **Teach** your child to remember and report to you the license numbers of people who offer rides, hang around playgrounds, or appear to follow them. If a stranger tries to follow or grab your child, teach him/her how to scream "stay away from me" and to run to the nearest place where people are around.

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### Big Buddy training

The next opportunity to become a Big Buddy is coming up July 9, from 6-7 pm at the Mariposa Hall Conference Room 801 Lighthouse Avenue in Monterey. Call 655-9231 for details.

The orientation session explores the rewarding and powerful experience the Buddy Program offers children and their adult role models. The agency matches adult companions one to one with children from single parent families.



## SPORTS

### Bronco season ends, All-Star season starts

by Gary and Jon Grant

Monterey Financial Services survived late season challenges by Male Call and Vista Robles Dental to win the league with a record of 16 and 4. Phillip Shin and Jon Grant carried the pitching load, but were supported by Keith Smetana's and Tony Hazdovac's reliable relief. The top hitters were Tony Hazdovac, Brady Shilstone, Phillip Shin, Jon Grant, and George Jossan—who also led the league with five home runs (tied with Nick Canning of Vista Robles Dental).

Two All-Star teams were chosen to represent our city in various tournaments this summer. The annual "Red-Gold" All-Star Scrimmage, held on Father's Day, delighted the proud parents.

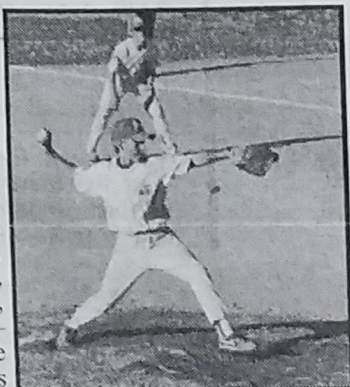
Making the Pacific Grove "Red" All-Star Team are Brady Shilstone, Beau Weaver, Mark Banks, Nick Nelson, Tony Hazdovac, Ryan Johansen, Ryan Johnston, George Jossan, Brandon Marotta, Jason Plunk, Sean Kilpatrick,

Garret Russell, and Sean Connors. Larry McArthur is manager with coaches Carol Hare and Kelly Portwood.

Chosen for the "Gold" Team are Nick Canning, Jaian Filippini, Casey Flannery, Jon Grant, Dusty Hare, Melissa Heyman, Tristan Kadish, Grant McArthur, Ryan McReynolds, Kevin Merfeld, Daniel Montanez, Phil Shin and Matt Woodruff. Gary Grant is manager with coaches John Montanez and Mark Merfeld.

These Pacific Grove All-Stars represented our town in the Annual Art Clark Invitational Tournament in Marina last week. Both teams got a win, and played three

games. The next tournament is an invitational at Jack's park in Monterey, home of the Bronco World Series. Both of PG's teams hope for further success and experience there, before moving on to the important Sectional Tournament in Carmel in late July. The local Sectional winner earns a berth in the exciting Bronco World Series in Monterey in August.



PG ALL-STAR pitcher George Jossan, at the Art Clark Invitational in Marina. First baseman Brady Shilstone is seen in the background.  
Photo by Gary Grant.



PG Rookie Girls Softball Champs: Front row, left to right: Rachael Davis, Veronique Ferod, Samantha Bevan, Pamela Marchese, Suzanne Gagnon, Mallory Wray; Second row: Shelly Matson, Alissa Hicks, Tiffany Day, Amy Guidice, Courtney Merfeld, Whitney Blanks. Back row: Head Coach Tom Marchese, Manager Deborah Marchese, Assistant Coach Andrew Marchese. Sponsored by Altira Software, the team ended the regular season with nine wins, three losses; the CCF Playoffs gave them one win and one semi-final loss.

### Seahawks, Dolphins, Wildcats in lead

Pacific Grove PONY Softball is hosting two ASA Class B Tournaments this summer. The first is this weekend, June 28, 29 and 30, for girls 16 and under, with eight participating teams. The second tournament is July 5, 6 and 7 for ages 10 and under with 10 teams. These promise to be exciting softball games as well as fund raisers for the League. Play will start on each Friday and continue into Championship games on each Sunday. Games will be played at both George Washington and the Softball Park. The League needs several volunteers and encourage locals to contact Sandy Cole at 646-9691 or Carlin Erickson at 649-0419.

Pacific Grove PONY Softball fields eleven teams of 150 girls aged 9-16. Nine of these 11 teams played in the Central Coast Girls Softball League Playoffs earlier this month at Toro Park with a total of 24 teams. The Wildcats, Dolphins and Seahawks continued into the semifinals with the Dolphins and Seahawks advancing to the finals where both teams were Central Coast Runners Up.

Standings for the 1996 season:

Rookies: Wildcats, 1st; Regals, 2nd; Sandpipers, 3rd; Monarchs, 4th.  
Minors: Dolphins, 1st; Otters, 2nd; Mermaids, 3rd; and Diamond Girls, 4th.  
Majors: Seahawks, 1st; Vixens, 2nd; Coyotes, 3rd.



Matt Foote, the tall guy, runs the Summer Tennis Camp at the Morris Dill Tennis Courts in PG. Pictured here are students, left to right, Kal Shaefer, Mike Wolfers, John Soares and Scott Kostyshak.

## RACQUET REVIEW

by Matthew A. Foote

We've just completed our first week of Summer Tennis Camp here at the Morris Dill Tennis Courts. We had over thirty kids out here running around hitting forehands, backhands, and serves and playing crazy games like "Skeleton" and "Smell Oscar's Feet."

All the kids and instructors had a great time and are ready for a fun, active summer of tennis. Sessions run throughout the summer and parents are encouraged to come out and check out the program we have going to see that it is the right atmosphere for your child. We stress learning the basics of tennis while having a great time and exhibiting great sportsmanship. For information please call 648-3129.

I'd like to thank some of our members for coming out and supporting me at the Meadowbrook Men's Open Doubles Tournament last weekend. Johnny Mattice from Carmel Valley Ranch and I had a tough battle in the finals, losing 6-4, 1-6, 7-5 to one of the top teams in Northern California—Brian Cory and Rick Kepler. On the way to the finals, however, we took out several great teams, including local legends Jeff Gillette and

Gus Anderson. Again, thanks for coming, and we'll get those guys next time!

I'd also like to announce a big sale on tennis clothes coming up July 4th weekend. Drop by and see some of the great deals, especially on T-shirts.

*"The real character of a man is found out by his amusements."*  
—Sir Joshua Reynolds



Pacific Grove Middle School 6th graders Anna Fobian, left and Taylor Thorngate, celebrated the start of summer at this recent party held at Lover's Point sponsored by Youth Action and the Recreation Department.

## PUBLIC HEARING

on the  
**Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA)  
Draft Fort Ord Reuse Plan/EIR**

**WHAT:** A public hearing to receive public comments on the FORA Draft Fort Ord Reuse Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) on that Plan.

**WHEN:** Monday, July 1, 1996 7-9pm

**WHERE:** Oldemeyer Center, 986 Hilby (off Fremont) in Seaside.

**WHO:** All members of the public who are interested in the reuse of the former Fort Ord military base, and the FORA Draft Fort Ord Reuse Plan/EIR.

Copies of the FORA Draft Reuse Plan and Draft EIR are available in local public libraries and in city halls of Del Rey Oaks, San Diego, and Salinas, or may be purchased for \$120 at Fort Ord Reuse Authority (FORA) office, 100 12th Street, Building 2880 at the former Fort Ord (take 12th Street exit off Hwy. 1). (408) 883-3672.

All comments must be in writing, and may be submitted at the July 1 meeting, or may be mailed or FAXed to: FORA, 100 12th Street, Bldg. 2880, Marina, CA 93933; FAX (408) 883-3675. Comments must be received by **July 15, 1996 at 5:00 pm.**

It is requested that when possible, written comments submitted on the Draft Reuse Plan be separate from written comments submitted on the Draft EIR. This will assist the consultants in preparing responses to be included in the Final Reuse Plan/EIR.



## The Appellate decision

# Wallace Getz vs. The Church: Just the facts

Sharon Hightower, attorney for Carmel Presbyterian Church, has protested that a Beacon story concerning the Sixth Appellate Court reversal of a Monterey County Superior Court decision was "clearly misleading and factually flawed." Hightower did not cite specific instances. Following is a condensation of the Appellate Court's 13-page decision. Lengthy citations of case law have been omitted.

"Wallace Getz sued his pastor, John Wilson and his church, the Carmel Presbyterian Church for defamation and intentional infliction of emotional distress. Getz alleged that the pastor stated to a third party that Getz was an alcoholic and that Getz had been excommunicated from another church. The trial court granted the summary judgment motion brought by the pastor and the church.

"For the reasons stated below, we reverse.

### Facts and Procedural Background

"Getz was a member of the Carmel Presbyterian Church, an elder and a member of its Foundation for the administration of trust funds. He is a Certified Public Accountant who enjoyed a good personal and professional reputation in the church and in the community.

"On October 20, 1992, Getz addressed the Session of the church. He expressed his personal concern about the size of the deficit and the financial welfare of the church. A few days later Getz wrote a letter about those concerns and sent it to members of the Session and some members of the congregation.

"On Nov. 19, Getz addressed a joint meeting of the Foundation and Session where he again expressed his concerns about the rudiments of capital giving and the accounting methods used by the church.

"THE MANNER IN which Getz expressed his concerns was considered by some members to be divisive and disruptive. At this meeting Session members tried to respond to the concerns raised in the letter Getz had distributed to selected members of the Session and the congregation. Getz was asked to refrain from distributing letters until the Session had the opportunity to respond to his concerns and he refused.

"On Dec. 4, the Session hired a conflict resolution consultant (Jack Longley) to resolve the problem of Getz' divisiveness and other conflicts. On Dec. 11, Longley had a telephone conversation with Wilson to discuss the conflict and the principle players.

"During that conversation, Wilson represented to Longley that Getz had no spiritual base and that he had been excommunicated from a local church. Before making that statement, Wilson had investigated the rumor of excommunication and found that it was not true.

"An elder had told Wilson that Getz had been asked to leave another church. Wilson then learned from another pastor that Getz had not been formally excommunicated from the local First Baptist Church (although he might have been asked to leave informally).

"WILSON ALSO reported to Longley that Getz had come to a Session meeting smelling of alcohol, which might indicate that Getz had an alcohol problem, even though Wilson never believed that Getz was an alcoholic.

"In January, Longley made an oral presentation of his findings. The remarks about Getz were not mentioned in the report proper, but were mentioned in "data pages," which may or may not have been attached to the report, which in turn

was made available to the congregation. The church contends the data pages were not attached to the copy of the Longley report that was made available to the congregation.

"Rather, Getz and several other church members had met with Longley a few days before he made his report. One of the members asked for and received a copy of Longley's notes which contained the alcoholism and excommunication allegations. The member then circulated the notes to other church members.

"PLAINTIFF FILED his complaint against the church and Wilson for defamation and intentional infliction of emotional distress on March 12, 1993. Plaintiff cites the allegedly defamatory remarks that he was an alcoholic and that he had been excommunicated from another church.

Church and Wilson answered, generally denying the allegations of the complaint. Church and Wilson moved for summary judgment, first on the basis that the civil court had no jurisdiction and secondly that even if it did, the remarks were privileged under the common interest rule. After requiring further briefing the trial court granted the motion.

First Amendment and case law are cited, the reversal goes on:

"IN THIS CASE the pastor felt that Getz was making a personal attack on him. Getz's complaints were not only about the church's management of money but also that too much money had been allocated to Wilson's salary and house.

"Pastor Wilson's perception of the attack by Getz as personal is not at all unrealistic. The pastor and the Session found that Getz's behavior was so divisive that they had to call in a conflict resolution expert or mediator.

"Having called in a mediator, Wilson undertook to explain to him the main players in the drama.

"Wilson told Longley that Getz had no spiritual base, that he was an alcoholic, and that he had been excommunicated from another church. Clearly, also, there was a genuine dispute between Getz and some members of the Session as to how the church's finances should be managed.

"Comparing this case to the authorities just discussed, it is clear that Wilson's remarks were NOT religious expression...The defamatory remarks about Getz appear to us to be grati-

them with reckless disregard as to their truth or falsity. For instance, the pastor testified at his deposition that he never believed Getz was an alcoholic. One can also infer from the evidence that Wilson made the excommunication remark knowing it to be false, or at least recklessly.

"Again there are triable issues as to the predicate facts such as what the pastor said, to whom he said it, and whether the remarks were republished by anyone other than Longley. Once the predicate facts are determined, the ultimate facts and the inferences to be drawn therefrom are also disputed.

"Undermining a person's credibility by saying he is an alcoholic is much different than saying he appeared at one meeting with alcohol on his breath.

"UNDERMINING A person's credibility by saying he was excommunicated from another church because he caused dissension is vastly different from saying that the rumor that plaintiff was asked to leave another church was untrue. Whatever was said, these remarks are not 'religious expression.'

"In this case, there are issues that need to be tried. The trial court erred in granting summary judgment to the pastor and the church.

The judgment is reversed. Costs to appellant.

### LETTERS

#### Flames of frustration

Editor: Yes it is you Mr. Kip Finn and indeed you must have gone mad. Your recent criticism of the burning of houses at Fort Ord is wrong. Not a little bit wrong, Mr. Finn, totally, completely wrong. Let me try to enlighten you, just a little.

First off, there is no such thing as the Presidio of Monterey Fire Department. Second, the houses that are being utilized for fire training by the Monterey County Fire Training Officers were to be bulldozed flat and hauled off to a dump. Had it not been for Battalion Chief Jack Riso, of the U.S. Navy Fire Department, and a chance meeting with some International Tech. people, the fire service in Monterey County would have lost a very valuable training opportunity.

The houses which were used for fire training were uninhabitable due to structural failures caused by the landfill on which they were built — and discovered only early this year by studies conducted by the IT Corp.

The training of firefighters in live fire exercises is the optimum way to prepare them for the real thing. Or maybe Mr. Finn would prefer that firefighters show up at his home without any real live fire training experience.

And lastly, Mr. Finn, your derogatory statement about firefighters duties being that of putting out fires — not starting them — was taken personally, I am sure, by ALL the firefighters who read that grossly unjust remark. Mr. Finn, you must remember we are the ones who run into buildings that others are running out of.

David A. Leist  
Pacific Grove

#### Thank you

Editor: I guess the PG Beacon has some power in print. The truck has been moved.

Thank you. It is nice to have someone who cares about public safety.

Pastor Ira Gilmore  
Pacific Grove  
Keyman42@keyman.com

(Letters to the Editor continue on page 12)

## Why write about Getz vs. church pastor?

by Eric Colby, Publisher

The Beacon has received calls from local readers, who are parishioners of the Carmel Presbyterian Church, angry and distressed about news in our paper of a civil complaint filed by a parishioner against their pastor.

We are being told that we are spreading lies and trash. At least one caller said he would even urge our advertisers to boycott the Beacon if we didn't stop.

I am writing this to tell all of our readers how distressing it is to report this occurrence and why we are doing it.

We are reporting the court action of a local resident and businessman, Wally Getz, in defense of his reputation which he believes has been harmed unlawfully. That is a civil action of the sort we all read about everyday. There is nothing unusual about it.

However, there are two other reasons why we are continuing our reportage. The defendant is a church pastor whose alleged defamatory statements about Getz are alleged to be made and/or distributed to other parishioners and a mediator outside the church.

The defense for the church is arguing that remarks about Getz character are privileged because they occurred within the cloisters of the church.

The last two aspects of this case challenge Constitutional principles regarding the rights and abuses of individual free speech.

No one wants to feel blasphemed by the Church. The weight of church authority can intimidate a parishioner, even if he is right.

It's difficult to uphold one's integrity when the weight of spiritual authority attacks the veracity of one's spiritual base.

As publisher I am not concerned with the fiscal policy differences between Getz and his church. That's a private membership matter and none of the public's business.

But telling other church members that one of its parishioners is an alcoholic, when that is not the truth, is not freedom of speech that is privileged.

I recently apologized for a number of errors reported in the Beacon which would have unfairly altered the public reputations of some people if I had not corrected my reporting. The process forced me to ask myself some tough questions about why this happened.

I regret that members of the Carmel Presbyterian Church must be confronted with the lawsuit. It's understandable that they would want to regard news of this a lie. But the Beacon is not publishing any lies, just the facts surrounding the lawsuit.

"THE SOLE ISSUE on appeal is the trial court's granting summary judgment. We cite the familiar statement of review. 'Summary judgment is properly granted only when the evidence in support of the motion establishes that there is no triable issue of material fact that the moving party is entitled to judgment as a matter of law.'"

(Following several pages in which the

itous and unnecessary to the description of the actual conflict.

"The trial court found that there had not been a showing of malice, nor could there be, sufficient to raise an issue of triable fact. WE DISAGREE.

"There was some evidence tending to show that the pastor made the remarks with malice, in the sense of knowing they were false or making



## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

## Wallace Getz keeps fit

by Neill Gardner

Two mornings a week, you can find Wally Getz swimming in Pattullo Pool in Seaside. Although he has worked in finance for most of his life, Getz' personal appearance and active lifestyle belie a sedentary career as a certified public accountant.

Born in Peoria, Ill., Getz attended what was then known as a manual training school before going on to the University of Illinois to obtain his teaching credential.

During World War Two, he attended officer candidate school at Duke University in the Army and wound up as a finance officer in Gen. George Patton's Third Army. "The first thing I knew, they handed me \$2 million in cash and told me I was responsible for it. I remember having a captain look in the tent, see all that money and back right out again."

Getz stayed in the Reserves after the war. He now holds the rank of lieutenant colonel. He and his wife Peggy were married in Indianapolis in 1943. She is a graduate of Wheaton College, a Christian school near Chicago.

Following the war, the Getzes moved to San Jose, where Peggy's uncle had an auto dealership. "We had traveled

through the snow all the way from Peoria," Wally said. "We decided it would be just as easy to start out in life in the sunshine as it would be in the snow." They made their home in Saratoga while Getz worked in San Jose.

Getz was in public accounting in San Jose until 1958, when he moved to Pacific Grove. He set up an office above the old Sprouse Reitz store. Later he bought the John Gates accounting business in the Monterey Professional Building. Two years later he moved the business to Pacific Grove.

Getz has prospered in Pacific Grove. He built the professional building on Sixteenth Street, owns the Forest Avenue frontage of the old Parsons Building and operates Firstworld Travel Agency in Pacific Grove. He holds a one-half interest in the Sizzler Restaurant building and a one-third interest in the Grove Market building.

A longtime member of Pacific Grove Rotary Club, he served three years on the Session and seven years on the Foundation of Carmel Presbyterian Church. Peggy is a member of the Women's Association of the church.



## New Monterey Moods

by Sam Fleming

## Watch out for UCP day

I got a call a few weeks ago from the very nice folks at United Cerebral Palsy. They're the ones who call every few months to say they'll be coming to New Monterey on Friday and is there anything I might be able to leave for them. They'll pick up any discarded clothing or whatever. I always welcome their visits because I almost always have some things with which I don't know what to do.

As I always do, I had been out racing my sailboat on Wednesday evening. It had been a particularly wet and windy race and my spinnaker sail was dripping, so I decided to bring it home, hose it off with fresh water and dry it on the deck. By the time I got home after racing, however, it was late and I was exhausted. I threw the spinnaker, sailbag and all, outside the front door to be dealt with in the morning.

Morning came and went. By way of the garage, I was off to work and never once thought of the big, wet, blue blob puddling outside.

I wonder what the United Cerebral Palsy crew thought when they picked up that bag. They probably figured that old wet thing was something they would have given away, too, if they had known what on Earth it was. They took my treasured blue, green and white downwind sail to some far off sorting room where volunteers organized old clothes, broken TVs, ragged furniture and assorted headless dolls.

When I found the large wet circle on the front porch, but no sail, that Friday evening, I was on the phone immediately. Unfortunately, I had to wait until Monday to get through to someone who could help me. Luckily for me, the person I spoke with tried very hard to understand what it was I was trying to describe and why I might want such a thing back! She said she'd look for it and get back to me. Several people called back in an effort to get a better description of what I wanted.

Eventually, by the following Friday, it was placed outside my front door, right where I had originally left it. Whew! A big Thank You to the nice people at United Cerebral Palsy. That might have been a hard one to explain to the insurance company.

## PG Fire Department sets CPR class

Registration is on a first come, first served basis for the next Certified CPR classes offered by the Pacific Grove Fire Department August 3.

The course is designed to teach members of the community CPR for infants, children and adults. Students will learn how the heart and circulatory system work, as well as the warning signs of heart attack and what to do if one should occur.

The American Heart Association certification is valid for two years upon completion of the course. Participants will be given instructional material, a mouth shield and a card verifying certification for the non-health care provider, all for \$10.

To register, send a check, payable to the City of Pacific Grove, 600 Pine Ave., Pacific Grove, CA 94950. For further information, call 648-3110, ext. 918.

## Milestones

## BIRTHS

**Maggie Lorraine Keegan** was born 6/7/96 to David and Tina Keegan, Pacific Grove.

**Ashley Morgan Dinkel** was born 6/4/96 to Wendy & Mike Dinkel, Pacific Grove.

**Shannon Denise Cry** was born 6/4/96 to Stephen and Michele Cry, Monterey.

## DEATHS

**Louise A. DeFreitas**, 83, of Pacific Grove, died June 13 at Carmel Convalescent Hospital. Born October 18, 1912 in Lemoore, Mrs. DeFreitas was a clerk at Holman's Department Store for 18 years, retiring in 1962, and a member of Our Lady of Fatima Society, St. Angela's Church & St. Angela's Altar Society. Her late husband, Louis A. DeFreitas died in 1989.

Survivors include brothers, Manuel Ayres of Riverdale, Joe Ayres of Arroyo Grande, and Tony Ayres of Pacific Grove; sisters, Rose Bello & Marian Garcia of Lemoore and Emilie Errotabere of Paso Robles; and 13 nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorial contributions to the Alzheimer's Association, 801 Lighthouse, Monterey, 93940, or to the donor's favorite charity.

**Cecelia M. Souza**, 92, Pacific Grove, died June 14 at Hospice House, Monterey. Born November 11, 1903 in St. Mathews, Pico Island, Azores. A homemaker, Mrs. Souza moved to the U.S. from the Azores in 1911 and was a resident of Pacific Grove for 56 years.

She was a member of St. Angela's Church in Pacific Grove, a member of Our Lady of Fatima Society and the S.P.R.S.I. Society. She was also a member of the Pacific Grove Garden Club.

Survivors include her sister, Mary C. Damas of Turlock and several nieces and nephews. Her late husband Manuel Souza died in 1970.

The family suggests contributions in her name to the Building Fund at St. Angela's Church, Pacific Grove.

**Edward Felix Sutka**, 72, Pacific Grove, died June 16 at Hospice House, Monterey. Born February 21, 1924 in Chicago, IL, Mr. Sutka was a 40-year-resident of Pacific Grove. He served in the U.S. Navy for 22 years, retiring as Chief Petty Officer, and later worked for the nestle Company in Salinas for 15 years.

He was a member of St. Angela's Church in Pacific Grove, the Monterey Elks Lodge and the American Legion. He is survived by his wife Ines Sutka of Pacific Grove.

Memorial contributions are suggested

## Medical minders

**Cholesterol and HDL testing** is available for walk-ins every Monday and Thursday, 10 am to 3 pm at Community Hospital's Satellite Lab, 1010 Cass St., Monterey. No appointment necessary. Call 649-1277 for more info.

**Free breast self-exam classes** are offered on Monday, July 1, 6:30 pm at the Community Hospital Mammography Center, 880 Cass St., Monterey. Instructors will teach women how to examine their breasts and explain the role of mammography in cancer detection.

For \$10, dietitians at Community Hospital offer body fat analyses from 1 to 4 pm every Friday. For appointments, call 625-4947.

The next **Heart-Smart Nutrition class** is coming up July 11th. Held every Thursday from 9 to 10:30 am, the Community Hospital course is conducted by registered dietitians and nurses who will explain blood cholesterol and triglyceride levels and how they affect dietary needs. The will also evaluate the latest diet controversies. Call 625-49708 to register, or, for more information, 625-4947.

for the Hospice House, P.O. Box 1798, Monterey, CA 93942.

**Nadine C. Hagaman**, 92, Pacific Grove, died June 18 at the Medical Unit of Canterbury Woods.

Born February 7, 1904, in Dunsmuir, she was a homemaker, and resident of Pacific Grove for 30 years. She was a member of PEO, Daughters of the Nile, The Eastern Star, and the Methodist Church. Survivors include several nieces and nephews. The family suggests contributions in her memory to the donor's favorite charity.

## Beacon Horoscope

by Miss Jay

**Cancer.** June 22-July 23. The homefront takes a back seat now as moonbabies acclimate to people and places outside their comfort zone. Your green thumb has been productive, but now it's time to share your flowers, hold hands, hold on. Anticipate romance.

**Leo.** July 24 - August 23. Big cats are purring contentedly by day and restlessly stalking their perimeters at night. The forces that have put you through your paces can be tamed and turned to your advantage. Don't be pinned down.

**Virgo.** August 24 - September 23. Oh, the conflicts! Passion, loyalty, today, tomorrow, here, there, yes, no. You pretend to be the least self-actualized being on the planet, but every move is strictly your call. Take action.

**Libra.** September 24 - October 23. Bask in your own sunshine. And sweep that problem under a beach mat. Save serious matters for September; put your energies into casual comforts, long walks.

**Scorpio.** October 24 - November 22. Get a grip on recent fiscal concern. Expect a change in plans. You can stretch your resources with help from someone out of the past. It begins with a phone call; listen and take notes.

**Sagittarius.** November 23-December 21. Take aim at the competition but put a rubber tip on that arrow. This isn't the time — and you'll only shoot yourself in the foot by making so bold a move.

**Capricorn.** December 22 - January 20. The days are longer for everyone but you. Organize. Make better use of your time before dark. You will need extra groceries this week. Be gracious.

**Aquarius.** January 21 - February 19. You're headed out of the fog and into the heat. An Aries personality makes the trip bumpy at first, then pleasant.

**Pisces.** February 20 - March 20. You'll feel lonely late in the week but rebound with small pleasures, little victories, early next week. A Virgo calls with good news; share it with a Gemini.

**Aries.** March 21 - April 20. Who would have thought you'd wind up here! Although no changes are imminent, remember that everything is temporary -- for every front there is a back and the bigger the front, the bigger the back. You can't control this one.

**Taurus.** April 21-May 21. The bull will have to step softly this week. A little humility puts plans back on track. Next time, before you lock horns, remember to listen. Really listen. Check your notes.

**Gemini.** May 22-June 21. The season isn't the only thing changing in your mercurial life. Romance is back in fashion. As you snuggle in, look around and consider where you were at this time last year. Congratulations! You remembered to follow your heart, whatever the cost.



## OPINION

# Allocating 2% on economic development will never pull us out

by Eric Colby

**Little revenue growth.** Most readers know that I am concerned about the level of appreciation our City mothers and fathers have for present and future income to float the town's boat. (Along with everyone else I water the lawn and watch potholes grow in our streets).

The grip City Hall has on where its revenue comes from has gotten better with the current administration. But the Council's proposed budget for the coming year tells me there is more understanding yet to come.

Out of an \$8.8 million budgeted income, 43% (or \$3.78 million) is driven by room taxes, sales taxes, and business licenses (business owners give the City money as a percent of their sales).

This contribution does not include commercial property taxes which, for some mysterious reason, cannot be identified apart from residential property taxes which, combined, total about 30% of the City's income. It also excludes revenues from parking fines generated by the fact there is a business district here.

What the Council is considering re-investing in the City's money machine (the business community) is \$190,000, or 2% of the General Fund budget, calling this the City's investment in "economic revitalization."

A hunk of that 2% is being charged to sidewalk cleaning, trash receptacles, landscaping maintenance, and other items that are routine municipal expenses, just like the city maintenance conducted routinely throughout the community (charges that should not be singled out as exclusive to the business district).

You folks actually pay the sales tax each time you buy something in town. And the more you and others purchase here, the bigger your City's budget becomes which results in more revenue and higher municipal services for you.

**Invest in business.** But that does not mean that you should be disinterested in spending a dime more to make your business machine more productive.

If we would pay for a marketing survey in this town to determine what its disposable income is and how much would be spent in Pacific Grove if the desired merchandise were here, this city could do a number of things to increase business sales tax.

**Develop retail trends.** It could employ someone to (a) recruit the right kind of businesses to relocate here, (b) coerce the city and commercial property owners to bring retail space up to 20th Century standards, (c) persuade the commercial property owners to adopt a policy of continuous occupancy by tying rents to sales, and by (d) awakening retailers to the incredible sales potential of advertising regularly to say: "Hey, shop at home. Look at all the stuff we've got here right under your nose!"

There is no more growth folks. We can't pack anymore retail space into town, except Holmans and Sprouse Reitz.

To keep up with the inflationary growth of city staff salaries, payroll taxes, health insurance and pension plans, (all this consumes 80% of the budget) the replacement of equipment, sewers roads, inventory and rolling stock, we need more money than what your fixed property tax is going to supply.

**No more State support.** We need growth in retail and motel room sales. The reason is this. The City Budget has hung around the \$8 million mark for the last eight years. That's no growth. And, what's worse, is that the State has run out of money to subsidize municipalities and school districts for the revenue loss incurred since the 1970's by Proposition 13.

That's right. The State has been

sending cities and counties money to make up for the Prop. 13 curtailment of revenues. The State has now run out of money for Pacific Grove to make up for the loss of property tax revenue and is turning off the faucet. Bedroom communities (cities of homes) are going to go to pot if their local commerce does not grow.

**Old folks don't spend.** There are few, if any, affordable homes in Pacific Groves for young couples. The older this community gets, the less it buys. Most of us are not victims of conspicuous consumption anymore. We don't "need" things.

To keep city revenue growing, our leadership must place priority on nurturing the golden goose. The mercantile community has to be given a top priority to provide more of what we do need that we are now going elsewhere to get. We must learn by getting outside "Brigadoon" and by finding out what other no-growth cities in California are planning for their survival in a Post Prop. 13 world.

For an engine that generates 43% of

our revenue, a 2% investment with no teeth and no soul responsible for hustling, energizing and congealing change in our shopping center, will do nothing to increase sales tax revenue here.

**Need commitment.** What would make a difference is a City Council that could understand the importance of this and commit some money for a qualified experienced shopping center manager to develop our retail community.

All it takes is one person, (preferably someone who has successfully managed shopping centers), to take charge of marketing Pacific Grove to wide-awake business owners and to wake up commercial property owners to the damage they are doing here by not leasing space to what the traffic will bear and without spending money to bring that space up to modern retail standards.

Three committees in six years have explored economic revitalization to the hilt. The recent one served to re-establish communication between City Hall and the Chamber of Commerce which Mayor Sandy Koffman took the initiative to do.

But, unless City Council can understand this town's future dependence on retail sales growth and make a commitment now to help finance an effort to market this town's commercial inventory properly, Pacific Grove will continue to have an \$8 million budget right into the 21st Century.

## LETTERS

## Likes church articles

Editor: Thank you for your articles on the Carmel Presbyterian Church problem. You did not include my remarks at that time that I feel the "Search Committee" owes the church an apology.

Wayne Earls  
Carmel

(Mr. Earl refers to the committee that went to LaHabra to investigate Pastor Jon Wilson's credentials.—Ed.)

## More of a bad thing

Editor: The citizens of the Central Coast have waited patiently for the grand Ackerly "vision" of a new, improved KCCN-TV to appear. If you've watched the station since the big shakeup, takeover, firings, etc., or you've spoken to KCCN/KCBA employees, you'll find that the Ackerly "vision" is actually an ill-created illusion.

Ackerly Corporation (owners of KCBA-FOX 35, new operators of KCCN-TV) claims KCCN now has better news. More of a bad thing is not better. The same sophomoric, poorly planned, poorly organized, and poorly presented news is now on both stations. The same people are writing the news, the same people are reporting it, and both stations are showing the same news. KCBA did not exactly have quality news before and the news is not getting better either station. Watch KSBW-TV 8 and compare.

Even with their brand new \$80,000 news set, the 15 or so new computer terminals hooked into the KCBA news computer, and all the other "improvements" trumpeted by the Ackerleys, KCCN still suffers. All is not rosy as claimed. Employee morale is now at an all-time low. In fact, employees are becoming increasingly dissatisfied with the KCCN-KCBA managers and are leaving in droves; creating chronic under-staffing and poorly trained employees.

This time, "positive vibes," smooth talk and a Can-Do Attitude won't save the Ackerly Boys. They actually have to perform, and perform well. Judging their latest performance, it appears they are not up to the task of operating one, or even two television stations that will properly serve the Central Coast citizens.

Bill Carpenter, Jr.  
Pacific Grove

Former Director of Broadcast Operations at KCCN-TV 46.

## Arborist? Not

Editor: Two things:

1. Why did Tom Moss (State Parks ecologist) lie about being a certified arborist when he was trying to get a leg up on the elderly resident who wanted his dangerous tree removed? And why did he belittle the Bendel Brothers' input on the tree-removal request, saying they are not professional foresters, when he himself has used Bendel Brothers on more than one occasion to do tree work at Asilomar?

2. When Meg Manus ran the Hometown 4th of July picnic, the City gave her \$100 for the production. This year Dan Koffman (the Mayor's husband) is in charge and the City increased its funding 10 fold to \$1,000. Why is that?

Pat Herrgott,  
Pacific Grove

## Tree law needs work

SOONER OR later, Pacific Grove City Council is going to have to overhaul its tree law. Too much Council time is taken up with enforcement of a regulation that serves little good and does much harm.

It is not as if the citizens, each with a chain saw at the ready, stand prepared to chop down every tree in sight. Most of us appreciate the beauty and the value of a tree—in the right place.

All the same, when a tree or its roots turn into something that cause a property owner onerous expense or become an unending source of concern, the city should try to understand that relief is due, regardless of what it says in a book in City Hall.

It is not enough for Councilmembers to shed crocodile tears of concern for a distressed property owner and then forbid him to rid himself of what has become a monkey on his back because that's how the ordinance reads.

We can understand the city forester's concern about taking an axe to a tree. He is bound to uphold the law as it is written. That is not the case with Council. There is little need for an appeal process if Council does not possess the courage to recognize and relieve an obvious hardship.

If Council cannot bring itself to soften the law, it should rewrite it in such a manner as to compensate property owners who must pony up substantial funds in order to safely maintain trees they don't want.

We are aware that concern for property rights is not in vogue. All the same, Council needs to shy away from a hidebound letter-of-the-law attitude. A little compassion for the individual would go a long way toward burnishing the image with which Council professes to be concerned.

—Neill Gardner

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Museum protest ironic

Editor:

Recent letters by Ed Leeper and David Dilworth, that question the propriety of the "Del Monte Forest Legacy: A Century of Stewardship" exhibit at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History are ironic indeed, considering the long relationship between the museum and Pebble Beach Company.

The exhibit is a collaborative effort between the Pacific Grove Museum and Pebble Beach Company, which continues a century-long relationship. The original museum in Pacific Grove was built by the Pacific Improvement Company, predecessor to Pebble Beach Company, in 1883. Pacific Improvement Company relocated it to the Pacific Grove Museum's present site in 1902, and later gave that land to the city.

Over the years, Pebble Beach Company has also provided financial support to the museum. In 1989, for example, Pebble Beach Company donated \$10,000 to the museum to support the cost of the Dinamation exhibit. More recently, Pebble Beach Company assisted the museum in preparing a whale skeleton for display there. Currently, Pebble Beach Company is underwriting most of the cost of the Del Monte Forest exhibit.

Pebble Beach Company is honored to be invited by the museum to participate in this retrospective on the natural and cultural history of the Del Monte Forest. This exhibit is a sincere effort on the part of the Pacific Grove Museum, Pebble Beach Company and many others in our community, who have sought to create an accurate and comprehensive history of the preceding century in the evolution of the Del Monte Forest.

We proudly invite the public to visit the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History to draw their own conclusions as to the propriety and credibility of this exhibit.

Mark J. Verbonich,  
Vice President  
Community Affairs  
Pebble Beach Company

## Inside humor

Editor:

It truly warmed the cockles of my eyeballs to read in Eric Colby's latest "shots while shaving" that the Beacon's "people are talking to Snick's people."

After all, who knows what could happen with a restless COG looming over the city.

Sherry McLean  
Pacific Grove



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## CLUB CORNER

by Nadine Annand

Because of several detours (column wise) and several requests from friends and my driver and traveling companion, my No.2 daughter, Lonnie Houston, a closure is in order (via paper) on my vacation: The last leg of our trip was back to Phoenix for more sightseeing. Our destination was Heritage Square in the heart of downtown Phoenix. Four original turn-of-the-century buildings have been restored in this historic area which is all that remains of Phoenix from the early days. Included in this area is the home of Dr. Rosson, a former mayor and dentist. Being familiar with Victorian architecture we still learned a few tidbits peculiar to the lovely home. Through the years the house had once been a boarding house and the intricate parquet floors had been covered with linoleum. Somehow the backing on the linoleum had preserved the beautiful antique hardwood flooring and it was in perfect condition when the house was restored. We finally knew our way to Phoenix after we got to it and it was time to fly home to San Jose and back to Pacific Grove the next day. Rating: perfect flight, perfect companion and picture perfect vacation.

**Closure No. 2:** Now officially a 1996 graduate of Pacific Grove High School, Jeremy Bispos' resume and high school activities merit some recognition. School: football starter for two years, varsity golf, student body government, junior class vice president, Boys State delegate 1995, Newsbreaker staff for three years, community, youth to youth staff plus four conferences, science camp counselor for two years, co-op preschool volunteer, church, young life. Jeremy was also a speaker at the Sunday, June 9 Baccalaureate program. Accepted at Sonoma State, he is planning to attend Monterey Peninsula College for a year and then go on to either Sonoma or a school of journalism. His ultimate goal is to return to the Monterey Peninsula and write for the Monterey County Herald.

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## SHORE LINES

by Neill Gardner

JERRY McINTIRE, our new Chamber of Commerce president, let it be known the other day that he had been a cryptographer during his military career. He was the type who broke enemy messages. They had to have brains.

I was an Air Force crypto during the Great War. But I didn't work on enemy messages. I encrypted or deciphered important stuff. Like when the mail plane from Guam would arrive.

No brains were required. All you needed was an ability to poke the keys on a typewriter that had no lower case keys. In those days everything was sent by Morse code. It helped if you could figure out where the radio operator had erred before the plane landed.

IT WAS all very hush-hush. Whoever was in charge carried a .45. No one was allowed to stick his nose in the code room, regardless of rank. Secrets, y'know.

We had rituals that were intended to thwart the enemy's ability to find out when the mail plane was coming in. I

broke one of the rules and wound up on the carpet. The major ordered me to write an explanation of my sin.

It happened just after President Truman gave the Japanese a list of cities on which he intended to drop the second atom bomb. I apologized and added that I'd behave if Old Harry would stop warning Tokyo. Hoo, Boy! The major was a mite short in the sense of humor department.

WE WOUND up on Marcus, an itty bitsy rock midway between Hawaii and Japan. Our message center was in the only building left standing. We shared it with a Japanese communications outfit.

We had the World Series on the radio. I pantomimed a guy at bat for the benefit of one of the erstwhile enemy. He nodded and asked if they were playing in Detroit or St. Louis. Turned out he had lived in the States before the war.

There were 5000 of those fellas and one day a ship pulled in and took every blessed one of them back to Japan. We were not pleased. Christmas was coming and we were anxious to get home ourselves.

## Slice of Life

by Elaine Breen

LILY MORaine

Phone calls from grandchildren always brighten my day. When I picked up the phone a few days ago there was the usual heavy breathing, then silence. I said, "Hi, Lily." My three year old grandgirl said,

People stared at this tiny child and her enormous trout.

On my birthday when the phone rang I heard heavy breathing and then a song in a treble voice. "Las Mananitas" is a special morning song, a traditional Mexican song that people sing early in the morning on birthdays.

"Estes son la mananitas  
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Amost refreshing way to start a birthday.

I resolved again to take that course in Spanish. Someday I can call Lily, breathe heavily for a bit and then say, "Hola, Lily. Que nuevo?" I hope she laughs. I'll get to hear her.



"Gramma, I met Bill today with my left hand." "That's nice. Bill who?" "Bill Clin-ton." I thought nah. She followed with a barrage of details, maybe half in Spanish, I never know. "Put your dad on." "And Gramma I didn't get to meet Bill out on the dock. I got to meet him with my left hand when he was coming out the door at the beach." "Put your daddy on. I want to speak to Armando." I heard her calling "Armando" and my son-in-law got on.

"WHAT WAS THAT all about?" Armando is a park ranger working for the National Park Service. Sometimes he is associated with the filming of movies on Alcatraz or the visit of the president to the Presidio in San Francisco. He is greatly concerned with the environmental impacts of events and activities. "Yes, Lily did get to meet the president and shake his hand."

Lily seems to love her daddy's beloved outdoors also; which is logical since she was named Lily Moraine for lilies her parents have seen in the Sierra Nevada. A couple of weeks ago she accidentally caught a thirteen inch trout (with help) at a Lake in Marin county.

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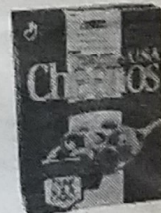
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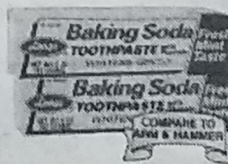
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